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THE "MESSIAH" JANUARY 24 & 25

THIS GREAT MUSICAL EVENT
WILL BE HELD IN THE
VICTORIA THEATRE.

The plan for the production of the "Messiah" will open on Friday morning at 10 o'clock and all those desirous of witnessing this grand production should notify Mr. J. J. White at once so that he can make the necessary transportation facilities.

Such well known artists as Mrs. Macdonald Fahey, Mrs. Jesse Longfield and Mrs. J. R. Green are taking prominent parts in this production and this fact alone means much to the success of the production.

Tickets may be purchased from Mr. White and arrangements made for either Monday or Tuesday evening, as there will be two productions, and the proceeds will be given to the Red Cross Society.

Critics in Victoria say that this will be one of the best musical events of many years and it is assured of large audiences.

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES' WORK.

Among the activities promoted and encouraged by the Agricultural Instruction Act, now in its third year of operation, having come into force in June, 1913, as detailed in the report recently presented by the Commissioner of Agriculture, and which can be had on application to the Publications Branch, Ottawa, there is none that exceeds in influence and usefulness the work done by the district representatives. Their duties are manifold and unceasing, but their helpfulness in the agricultural industry is abundantly testified to in every district where they have been appointed, and there are now forty-five of them in Ontario alone. It is theirs not only to be ever ready with counsel and advice on farming subjects but also to manifest a live and active interest in every undertaking having for its object the better cultivation of the land, the increase of productivity, the development of the live stock industry, the improvement and extension of educational facilities, the social uplift of the people and the welfare of the agricultural community generally. In short their usefulness can hardly be overestimated, and towards their support the funds forthcoming from the ten-million dollar grant provided to be distributed among the provinces during a term of ten years under the Agricultural Instruction Act, is largely devoted. All this is fully detailed in the report of the Commissioner previously referred to and which affords instructive reading. Taking the provinces separately we find that the amounts directly utilized for this purpose in 1914 were:

Prince Edward Island	\$ 4,000
Quebec	10,000
Ontario	80,000

In most of the other provinces the system has not yet been organized under the title of District Representatives, but in all of them the funds allotted find a somewhat similar

disposition in furnishing the means for the promotion of demonstration work. In Nova Scotia \$4,200 was so employed in 1914, and in New Brunswick \$14,200 under the title of travelling instructors. In Manitoba upwards of \$30,000 of the grant of \$51,720 was disposed of by means of demonstrations. In Saskatchewan \$27,148 and in Alberta \$14,594 practically went the same way. In British Columbia \$27,500 was devoted to demonstration work. In Prince Edward Island, Quebec and Ontario besides the amounts mentioned as directly used in the maintenance of the district representative system substantial sums were also supplied to demonstration purposes.

MOCK PARLIAMENT.

The question before the House on January 13th, was the amendment to the Government's bill of taxation on bachelors, when the opposition brought in the additional clause that "If bachelors are taxed all married men should be guaranteed work by the government at a salary sufficient to keep a wife and family." The arguments advanced were weak, applying only to a very mediocre type of man, and added to this many sponsors of the amendment after due thought and consideration were ashamed to attend the session to support either by oratory or vote the very law who stood by their convictions, consequently, despite the mental gyrations of the leader of the opposition, the amendment went down to inglorious defeat.

The third reading of the bill was then in order. The Premier, showing little of the strain of the past few weeks' service for the state, briefly, but in his inimitable, concise and forceful style stated why the bill should be on the statute books of the country. The Finance Minister dealt with the proposed disposal of the taxes which will come into the exchequer, after which the vote was taken and resulted in a very large majority for the government, although one honorable member bolted to the opposition when the measure was put to a vote it did not influence the government in any way for they realized that the unsettled, unstable and migratory habits of one coming from the constituency of Cuckoo's Nest, were likely to assert themselves at any time, and that perhaps the need for feathering the nest was urgent.

TO INSPECT SHIP.

Capt. N. Yamaguchi, of the S. S. Kenkon Maru, which ran aground near Samuel Island some two weeks ago, was in town Wednesday on his way from Seattle to rejoin his ship which he left in order to report the accident to the owners. The captain was accompanied by Mr. D. Hollywood, of Seattle, superintendent of the Patterson Construction and Dry Dock Co., of Seattle, who is going up to Samuel Island to look over the ship in order to be able to make a report to his firm in regard to salvaging operations.

Mr. Hollywood, who is a native of Ireland, is much of a cosmopolitan having seen considerable of the world. He worked for a number of years at Harland & Wolfe's, Belfast, Ireland, on the Tyne, at London and Glasgow as a shipbuilder. In addition to this he held a master's certificate in the British Mercantile Marine and also saw service in the Boer War, being a member of Remington's celebrated Scouts.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE A. J. KELLY

TOOK PLACE IN VICTORIA ON
TUESDAY AFTERNOON
JANUARY 18TH.

In the death of Mr. J. A. Kelly, which occurred at the Jubilee hospital, Victoria, on Saturday, January 15, Sidney loses a citizen who was held in high esteem by all who knew him. Of a quiet, rather retiring disposition, he did not figure prominently in the business affairs of the community, but what he lacked in this respect was more than made up by his kindly thought and consideration towards those less fortunate than himself, and it is quite well known that at times he would inconvenience himself in order to assist to the best of his ability those in distress.

The late Mr. Kelly was a native of Tennessee and came to Canada about twenty years ago. After drifting about the Dominion for five years he finally decided to settle down on Vancouver Island, and about fifteen years ago located in Sidney where he purchased some property on Second street and proceeded to erect a home for himself. He was a plumber by trade and followed this occupation off and on during the past few years.

The deceased was 54 years of age and leaves a number of relatives in his old home state of Tennessee who will regret to hear of his sudden and in some respects untimely death, as up to a year or so ago he was always in the best of health. During the past year, however, his health failed rapidly until about a month ago he was confined to his home where he was attended by friends until a few days before his death when he was removed to the hospital for treatment.

The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the B. C. Funeral Parlors to the Ross Bay Cemetery, the services both at the chapel and the graveside being conducted by Rev. A. Raeburn Gibson, of St. Paul's Presbyterian church Sidney. The beautiful hymn "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," was sung at the opening of the service, and at the close "Rock of Ages, Cleft For Me."

The floral tributes were numerous and very beautiful, testifying to some extent to the high esteem in which the late Mr. Kelly was held. Wreaths were presented by the managers of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, of which Mr. Kelly has been a member ever since its inception in Sidney; by the Ladies Aid of the Church and by the scholars and teachers of the Sunday school, as well as numerous others from friends in the district and the city of Victoria.

The pallbearers were Messrs. Thos. Smith, of Victoria; James Critchley, J. R. Brennan, P. N. Tester, F. W. Sproule and J. Nicol, of Sidney. Among those noticed going in on the train to attend the funeral were Rev. T. C. Des Barres, Messrs. A. McDonald, A. McArthur, S. Roberts, P. N. Tester, F. Sproule, J. Nicol, Rev. A. R. Gibson, Mrs. J. Nicol, Mrs. W. Bowcott, Mrs. F. Bowcott and Mrs. Gibson.

PROFESSOR STEVENSON WILL DELIVER ADDRESS

On Wednesday evening, January 26th, Professor Lionel Stevenson, of the Dominion Experimental Station, will deliver an address to the members and friends of the Epworth League at Wesley Methodist Church, Sidney, on "Farm and Nation Building."

The Professor's talk should interest more than League members, and a hearty invitation is therefore extended to all who possibly can to attend. The meeting will start at 8 o'clock.

THE SIDNEY AND NORTH SAANICH PATRIOTIC AID FUND.

Subscriptions received for the week ending 20th January are acknowledged as follows:

Amount subscribed up to 13th	
January for ensuing year	\$1948.00
Henry Brethour	24.00
Herbert Finch	6.00
H. L. Harrison	1.00
Miss May Hooton	6.00
Gerald Spearin	25.00
A. R. Trowsse	12.00

Total \$2022.00

ARTHUR O. WHEELER.

AID TO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS.

The grants under the Agricultural Instruction Act being supplemental to these from provincial and other sources make many things possible that otherwise would be considered impracticable by reason of the expense involved. In particular are they valuable in the prosecution of the higher education in agriculture. By the help of these grants not only are agricultural colleges and schools made more efficient in equipment, but it is made possible to pay men of first class information and experience salaries becoming to their stations. Further, graduates who have passed with honors and obtained degrees in our colleges and universities are induced to stay in their own country rather than go abroad in search of remuneration to which their ability entitles them. Indeed several good men have already been repatriated and have accepted lucrative engagements in the land of their birth. How far the funds are being used in this direction is indicated by the following appropriations made from their allotments for 1915-16 by the different provinces immediately for schools and colleges, apart from extension work, short courses, demonstrations, etc.

Prince Edward Island	\$10,050
Nova Scotia	27,500
New Brunswick	16,500
Quebec	60,000
Ontario	93,813
Saskatchewan	22,800
Alberta	38,000

Manitoba and British Columbia apply portions of the fund in a similar way but through the public, normal and high schools, and thus the grants appear under another heading than agricultural schools and agricultural colleges.

ANGLO-ICAN SERVICES.

January 23, 1916--Third Sunday after Epiphany.
11.00 a.m., Morning Prayer and Holy Communion at Holy Trinity.
3.00 p.m., Service at Institute.
7.30 p.m., Evening Prayer at St. Andrew's.

DAMAGE DONE SMALL BOATS

HEAVY WINDSTORM DRIVES A
NUMBER OF LAUNCHES
ON THE SHORE.

The heavy windstorm which raged over Vancouver Island all last week took a rather heavy toll in small boats on this part of the Peninsula, no less than five of the best in these waters being piled up on the rocks on the west side of Robert's Bay when the wind suddenly changed from south-east to north-east on Sunday night and blew directly into the bay. Robert's Bay has always been considered safe anchorage for small craft, but evidently the owners of the wrecked boats failed to anchor their boats securely enough, otherwise they would not have broken away.

Among the worst to suffer in this way were Messrs. Findlay and Segelabra, as their fishing boat received very rough handling by the waves, a large hole being knocked through the bottom and other damage done to such an extent that at present it is not considered possible to repair it. This boat was anchored from both ends by inch cables but the heavy seas kept striking it with such force that finally the cables broke and the boat was set adrift.

The beautiful little launch "Portland Queen," owned by the Portland Island Development Company, also went on the beach, but only received minor injuries and as soon as the storm abated Mr. C. F. Williams, the local boat builder, made the necessary repairs and on Monday morning had the boat ready for floating as soon as the tide came up sufficiently high.

The "Norah," owned by Mr. Napier of Tombo Island, who had recently purchased her from Mr. C. F. Williams and had her practically rebuilt, also went on the beach and suffered considerable damage. Her after cabin was almost completely wrecked by the branches of a low hanging tree and her rudder was smashed off. Otherwise the hull escaped injury and this week the carpenters put her in running order again without much trouble.

The "Doris," owned by Mr. Sid Humber, and another boat belonging to Mr. Peden, of Victoria, were washed ashore and received considerable damage, but just to what extent has not yet been ascertained as they have not yet been removed.

BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

The committee have at last completed arrangement for holding the billiard tournament, and the first games will be played next Monday evening. All entries must be in the hands of the committee by Saturday, January 22nd in order to allow time to arrange the handicaps. The entrance fee has been placed at \$1.00 and this includes the use of the billiard tables. Only one prize will be given as the journey is in aid of the Red Cross funds.

Anyone desiring to enter this competition of skill can make their entries with Mr. P. N. Tester.

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QUEBEC AND THE WAR.

We read a great deal these days in the daily press about the speeches and actions of Messrs. Bourrassa and Lavergne, who have been the leaders of the Nationalist party of Quebec for the past few years. These men are still the leaders of this party, only the party is hardly more than a clique at the present time, and the other men of prominence who were at one time connected with the Nationalists as leaders and advisers have, since the war began, practically deserted the Bourrassa ship. One of the most influential is now speaker of the House of Commons, several others are members of the Borden cabinet, and others have been called to the bench, while one, Oliver Asselin, has accepted the command of a French Canadian battalion and is now busy recruiting and equipping the same. These men all have proclaimed their loyalty by word and deed and Bourrassa and Lavergne are the only ones left. It seems to us that too much advertisement is given their fiery talks and one would be led to believe by reading the press notices that these two men are representing the French Canadian sentiment. According to Gen. Sir Sam Hughes there are 8,000 French Canadians at present in the firing line and efforts are being made to bring the figures up to 20,000 before next summer. Probably if our readers will carefully read the speech of Mgr. Bruchesi, Archbishop of Montreal, which is published in this issue, it may give them a better idea of what the French Canadian sentiment really is. When we remember that the Archbishop is the spiritual leader of nearly a million souls, that he has been "slated" for the Red Hat, and that he is held in the highest esteem by all who know him, irrespective of creed, race or party, then we must realize that the Archbishop speaks with great weight and influence. It is the speech of a real Canadian.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Before Henry Ford sailed for Europe he admitted that he had never read history. Upon his return he tells of having voted only six times during a period of thirty-one years since he first had a citizen's rights. Even then it was not a voluntary act but a wife's insistence. "She made me," he says. This fact does not lose its point because she had the will but not the way, and he the way, and not the will. The Springfield Republican, commenting on this confession, so revealing, kindly advises the amateur international adviser to read history more and to vote oftener, and this voluntarily. The advice will be seconded by public opinion.

Although the winning of the Victoria Cross has seemed a fairly frequent occurrence in the British military history of the last eighteen months, it appears that, as a matter of fact, only 188 crosses have been awarded since August, 1914. This is still nearly fifty short of the number awarded in the Indian mutiny, although the forces engaged in suppressing the mutiny were so very much smaller than those at present engaged in France and elsewhere. The Victoria cross was of course instituted by Queen Victoria towards the conclusion of the Crimean war, and during that war 111 awards were made. The cross, which is made of bronze, carries with it a pension of £10 per annum which, in special circumstances, can be raised to £50.

Shut out of the advertising columns of the best journals, where will makers and sellers of liquor get publicity? On the billboards? But it has come about that on the first of the year an edict against advertisements of spirituous liquors became effective which will prevent such inducements to buy being spread about in 5,000 towns and cities of Canada where the Poster Advertising Association does its business. That is to say, so far as the largest "outdoor" advertising agency in North America is concerned, it will not be party to any such form of tainted business. This steady cutting off of ways of publishing its temptations helps to create the conviction among men in the brewing and distilling business that the days of the traffic are numbered in the United States and Canada.

AMERICAN WHO IS ASHAMED.

"It is true that we succour the wounded and help the suffering. It is true that we provide supplies and munitions of war. But in the last analysis this is what women are doing in France and England, not what is being done by men. Our feminism, our love of comfort, our gospel of stalled cattle, have brought us to that. In the greatest fight for liberty the world has ever seen, the world's greatest republic, the vast nations founded on declarations of liberty, is playing the part, not of the warrior, but of the squaw."—Charles Johnston, in the Nineteenth Century.

THE WORLD WANTS JUSTICE.

What the world wants now is not peace, but justice. This is a waste of moral energy and material resources, because it is directed to a wrong end, and for that reason it will make more difficult whatever can be done to help secure justice among the nations at war. Those who would take the soldiers of the Allies out of the trenches while Belgium is under the rule of a military despotism, while the Serbians are expelled from their native land, and while the Turks are massacring the Armenians, will not promote either justice or even enduring peace.—Outlook.

NO "JOLLY LITTLE WAR" THIS

The aggressor, having shot his bolt, wants no more bolts shot. He has no liking to take his turn as a target. He has been, however, in too many one-sided wars in which he inflicted nearly all the damage and suffered little in return.

The Prussian experience of war has been so one sided, that he loves war, considers it a splendid thing. He had it all his own way against the Austrians, the Danes, the Frenchman in 1870.

Here is a war that will be different. There will be a come-back this time. The armies that he sent out as invaders will be followed home this time by armies stronger than they; and the Prussians, who think that war is a fine thing of which they cannot get enough, will get enough of it for once, and will abandon the false and ruinous notion that war is a fine thing.—Toronto Star.

BAD BOYS AND THE WAR.

Boys are not bad by nature is the conclusion of the chief inspector of reformatory and industrial schools in Great Britain, in his annual report recently published.

He states that opportunity has been given by the war to show, as in no other way could have been shown, the innate sterling qualities of thousands of boys too lightly termed bad or even criminal by those who have little knowledge of boy nature, and understand not at all that really evil intent and viciousness is foreign to boy nature in general, and just as much foreign to the boy of the poorest section of the community as to the public schoolboy. The very qualities of mind which perhaps have caused the young slum dweller to steal and to find his way to a reformatory may be just the quality that goes to make

the courageous, unselfish, cheerful soldier.

In these lads the reformatory schools have had the making of some of the finest soldiers of our time, the inspector declared. In eight months 1,457 boys were enlisted into the army and navy direct from the schools, and 2,684 boys on license or under supervision. Up to March 31, 530 had been killed in action, 49 died of wounds, 13 died of sickness, and 1,530 had been wounded. No fewer than 20 had been mentioned in dispatches, 25 awarded the distinguished conduct medal, 8 have been given commissions and 3 awarded the Victoria Cross.

The schools are now being organized to assist in the production of munitions.

MOCK PARLIAMENT

On Thursday, January 13th, the mock parliament met in session and the Government succeeded in passing its bill to tax bachelors. But this was not owing to the merits of the bill, but to the large majority of government members present, and even then one of the supporters of the government voted against the bill. Immediately after the vote was taken the opposition gave notice that they would present at the next session a bill to tax spinsters. They believe that this is only fair as they have now a vote and should pay their share of taxes.

Some of the government members have already openly pledged their support to the bill.

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Each application must be accompanied by a fee of \$5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of \$10.00 per acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

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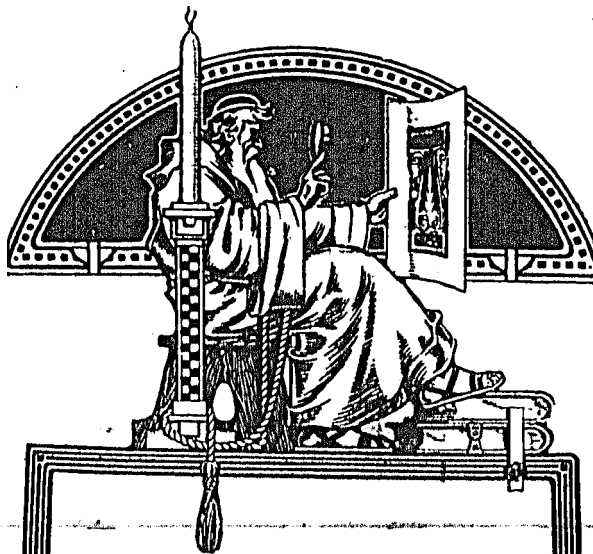
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SACRED DUTY TO THE EMPIRE

QUEBEC EPISCAPACY LOYAL

NOW AS IT WAS IN

DAYS PAST.

The Montreal Daily Star of Saturday, January 8th, contains the following interesting account of a public meeting held in Montreal on the above date:

"The undying loyalty of the episcopacy of French Canada to the Empire in the war was pledged last night by Archbishop Bruchesi, addressing a largely attended meeting held in Laval University in aid of the Laval General Hospital.

The Archbishop's stirring address, although the feature of the evening, was but one of a number of patriotic utterances. Others who spoke were the Hon. T. Chase Casgrain, post-Deccarie, provincial secretary, and Dr.

emn obligation of taking part in the struggle.

"This," declared the Archbishop; "is a bounden duty which we owe the country which has given us liberty, and that is now seeking to overthrow the nation that threatens the liberty of the world. Great Britain was unprepared for the war, and this one fact is abundant proof that she had no thought of provoking a war. Unprepared as she was, yet she sprang at once to the aid of France and Belgium. For us, as French Canadians, the proudest duty is to co-operate to the maximum of men and money and see that Great Britain comes out of the war with her power untarnished and her world influence for good greater than ever."

His Grace passed for a few minutes to consider what would have been the fate of Canada had the British navy not blocked the German's path.

"French Canadians, I for one do not wish to become a German citizen," he exclaimed, finally, amid loud cheers.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE.

The conference of the new Civic Improvement League, to be held in Ottawa on the 20th inst., is likely to be one of the most important municipal gatherings that have ever been

est has been aroused in the new movement in all parts of the Dominion and there is extraordinary unanimity with regard to the need for a national organization to study and discuss civic problems.

CANADA'S TOBACCO FUND.

A statement has just been received from the headquarters of the Overseas Club giving a summary of subscriptions to the Tobacco Fund for the fourteen months ending 30th November. It will be seen that practically all parts of the world are represented, and Canadians will notice with interest that the work resulting from Canada's Tobacco Fund as organized by the Overseas Club, puts Canada at the head of the list. The fact that Canadian contributions up to date exceed \$85,000, representing a total of 343,680 packages of tobacco and cigarettes, is worthy of note. It speaks of the generosity of the public, but if these figures are compared with the number of men at the front, it will readily be seen how totally inadequate they are to meet the needs of the case.

Smoking to the boys at the front is virtually a necessity and there are but few non-smokers. The total number of 343,680 packages divided between the 80,000 Canadians now at the front does not supply a very large number of packages of tobacco per man, when spread over a period of fourteen months. If other efforts in this direction are added, even then the supply is totally inadequate, as is proved abundantly by the letters we are constantly receiving.

The list we give below has been supplied by Mr. Francis R. Jones, the Organizing Secretary of Canada's Tobacco Fund, who will be glad to receive at the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, or at 318 Star Building, Toronto, the names and addresses of any who are willing to assist by taking collection books, collecting boxes, etc.

It is interesting to notice that the contributions of the Overseas Dominions to provide tobacco for the Overseas troops has been supplemented by nearly \$55,000 contributed by the school children of the United Kingdom on Empire Day; and who have been raising another fund even larger in amount during the Christmas season. This is a large sum to be contributed in pennies and only shows what can be done by the combined efforts of school children.

Mr. Jones is endeavoring to arrange a similar movement throughout the schools in Canada and has already received generous assurances of support from many parts of the Dominion.

Contributions to November 30th:

Canada	\$85,920
Australia and N. Zealand	58,890
United States	48,025
Africa	44,470
Asia	35,950
Europe	26,945
South America	22,705
Central America	6,525

\$329,430

Empire Day contribution by school children of the United Kingdom

54,740

\$384,170

Less money returned

890

Total

\$383,780

Which equals approximately 1674 tons of tobacco and 77 million cigarettes.

It should be remembered that all the organizations expenses are borne by the headquarters of the Overseas Club in London, and that all the tobacco supplied to the Canadian troops is manufactured in Canada by the Tuckett Tobacco Company of Canada.

People living on the different islands in the vicinity of Sidney were no doubt hard pressed for provisions during the storm, and it must have been with a feeling of relief that they watched the wind abating on Monday morning. A seven days steady blow is a very unusual thing on this part of the Peninsula, and it is to be hoped that it does not occur often.

THE KAISER'S DREAM

There's a story now current, though strange it may seem,
Of the great Kaiser Bill and a wonderful dream.
Being tired of the Allies, he lay down in bed,
And, amongst other things, he dreamt he was dead,
And in a fine coffin was laying in state,
With a guard of brave Belgians, who mourned for his fate.
He wasn't long dead till he found to his cost
That his soul, like his soldiers, would ere long be lost.
On leaving the earth, to Heaven he went straight,
Arriving up there, gave a knock at the gate.
But St. Peter looked out, and in a voice loud and clear,
Said, "Begone, Kaiser Bill, we don't want you in here."
"Well," said the Kaiser, "that's rather uncivil."
So he turned on his heel and away he did go
At the top of his speed to the regions below.
But when he got there he was filled with dismay,
For while waiting outside heard Old Nick say
To his imps, "Now look here, I give you fair warning,
I'm expecting the Kaiser down here in the morning;
But don't let him in, for to me it's quite clear
He's a very bad man, and we don't want him here.
If once he gets in, there'll be no end of quarrels,
In fact, I'm afraid he'll corrupt our good morals."
"Oh, Satan, dear friend!" the Kaiser then cried,
"Excuse me for listening while waiting outside;
If you don't admit me, say, where can I go?"
"Indeed," said the Devil, "I really don't know."
"Oh, let me in! I am feeling quite cold,
And if you want money, I've plenty of gold,
Let me sit in a corner, no matter how hot."
"No, no," said the Devil, "most certainly not.
We don't admit folks here for riches or pelf;
Here are sulphur and matches—make a hell for yourself."
Then he kicked Wilhelm out and he vanished in smoke,
And just at that moment the Kaiser awoke.
He jumped from his bed in a shivering sweat,
And said, "That's a dream I shall never forget.
That I won't go to Heaven I know very well,
But it's really too bad to be kicked out of hell."

The above poem was composed by a soldier boy while on duty at the Dardanelles.

L. de L. Harwood, who occupied the chair.

Archbishop Bruchesi, who was greeted with enthusiastic applause, announced that his purpose in coming to the meeting had been to bless the Laval hospital, and give his heartiest support to the movement at present going on in the Province of Quebec.

His Grace touched on the beginning of the war, reminding his hearers that Great Britain had entered the struggle to avenge sacred rights which Germany had trampled under foot. French Canadians, said the Archbishop, had suffered much pain and sorrow at the defeat of the Armies of France in 1871, but to-day although France was fighting the same enemy as then, there were other great powers on her side—Russia, Italy, Belgium, but above all, powerful Britain. The decision of Britain to throw in her power on the side of justice, placed upon Canada the sol-

held in the Dominion. The conference will be held in the large Railway Committee Room of the House of Commons, and representatives are likely to be present from all the nine provinces. Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and other large cities will be officially represented. Among the principal speakers will be Sir John Wilison (chairman) and the Hon. J. W. Hanna, Provincial Secretary of Ontario.

It is anticipated that municipal questions will be dealt with under three main heads, namely:

Municipal Government and Finance. Immigration, Unemployment and Public Health.

Housing, Town Planning and Local Improvements.

It is agreed that there is urgent need for discussion of the many civic problems that have already arisen and are likely to arise in the future as a result of the war. Great inter-



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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

There will be no teachers' training class on Thursday evening.

Don't forget MacBeth on Thursday night. Come and hear Lady MacBeth speak her lines.

Master Harold Dixon, of Victoria, is visiting at the home of his aunt, Mrs. J. J. White.

Mrs. S. K. Halseth, of Victoria, paid a short visit to friends in Sidney on Tuesday.

Ptes. R. Craig and H. Moffat, of the Western Scots, Victoria, spent Sunday in Sidney.

Mrs. Scott Ritchie and son, of Salt Spring Island, passed through Sidney on Tuesday on their way to Victoria.

Miss M. Lynch, accompanied by Miss Margaret Cochran, left on Wednesday for Seattle on a week's visit.

The regular meeting of the Board of Trade will be held next Tuesday evening, in the office of Mr. S. Roberts, Beacon avenue.

News items are very scarce this week owing to the fact that practically everything was closed down during the storm.

Have the Sidney Trading Company send you up a ton of coal now that the weather has moderated so that you will not be short of fuel if it turns cold again.

Mrs. Joseph Nelson, of Roberts Bay, left on Wednesday evening for an extended visit to her daughter, Mrs. Green, of Port Alberni.

DEATHS.

This kind of weather demands good footwear and to get the best kind it is necessary to go to Sloan's Shoe Store for them. Call in and let the genial proprietor show you a few of the splendid lines he carries. Your size is there alright.

The weather this week has been most delightful since the wind abated on Monday last. The crisp, sharp frosts every night are just sufficient to keep the ice on the pond at the Shingle Mill in first class shape for the merry parties of skaters that wend their way thither every evening.

Mr. Macdonald Fahey, of the Canada Kelp and Algin Company, paid a visit to Sidney on Tuesday. He informed a Review representative that the kelp beds in the vicinity of Sidney had not been at all damaged and that it was the intention of his company to immediately resume operations.

Considerable difficulty was experienced by the local tradesmen last week in getting their out-of-town orders delivered, as most of the roads to the west of the town were blocked by the snow having drifted in off the ploughed fields and lodging on the grades in the shelter of the fences.

Rev. J. Bruce Wallace, of the 87th Battalion Western Scots, will occupy the pulpit of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening. Rev. Mr. Wallace is about to leave for the front and will likely have something interesting to say to the congregation. A cordial invitation is extended the public.

The illustrated talk on Italy by Rev. J. Wesley Miller was much enjoyed by those attending League on Wednesday evening. The fact that the speaker had visited the places shown, viz. Rome, Pisa, Genoa, Florence and Venice, had taken some of the pictures himself and saw all the scenes which he used in his talk made the subject the more interesting to his hearers. The lecture was in many ways a reminder of how the wonderful architecture, ruins of ancient grandeur and the many beautiful monuments bring up to the present more than two thousand years of history with its long list of great sculptors

painters and writers. Britain's ally has had a wonderful past and will no doubt enjoy even a greater future.

The late Mr. J. A. Kelly will be greatly missed in the various organizations of the Presbyterian Church, in all of which he took a leading and active part. It is also to be noted that his name is the first to be taken through death from the Communion Roll of that young organization.

LEAGUE PROGRAMME.

The programme for the next four meetings of the Epworth League will be as follows:

January 26—Citizenship. Topic, "The Farm and Nation Building," by Prof. L. Stevenson.

February 2—Devotional night. Topic, "Evangelism." Short papers by different members of the League.

February 9—Missionary Department in charge of programme.

February 16—Literary Night. A programme of songs, recitations and readings from the works of Sir Walter Scott. This promises to be quite a literary entertainment as a special effort is being put forth to make the evening a pleasant and profitable one.

RED CROSS FUND.

Only one subscription was handed the secretary of the Red Cross Fund this week, that of Mrs. R. G. Kennedy for \$1.00.

The following amounts have also been transferred from the Machine Gun Fund to the Red Cross Society: Mrs. George Anstey, \$10.00; Mr. J. Nicol, \$5.00, and the balance of the amount left in the Merchants Bank on the expiration of the time limit amounting to \$12.20.

RAFFLES IN AID OF RED CROSS

The Superfluities Committee who are holding the raffles for the yacht "Tannis," presented to the Red Cross Society by Mr. John Arbuthnot, and the splendid little pony, trap and harness presented to the same cause by Capt. L. Adamson, of Sidney, have arranged with Mr. P. N. Tester to handle the tickets in this district for them. Anyone desiring a ticket on the yacht at \$1.00 each, or for the pony at 50 cents each, can do so by applying either at the Review office or direct to Mr. P. N. Tester.

RAIN OR SHINE THE BOYS AT THE FRONT KEEP FIGHTING

The following letter from Pte. A. MacArtair to Miss Jessie McKillican one of the Girl Guides, will be of interest to our readers as it gives an account of how the troops were flooded out of their dugouts on Christmas week.

Dear Bertie,—I got your letter quite safely and am very glad you took the trouble to write to a soldier at the front. I have been a long time answering it, but we have been very busy and we are not allowed to write very many letters, so I save mine up and then answer the whole lot at once, some time when the Germans give us a rest.

You gave me quite a lot of news about Sidney that nobody else wrote me about. I was very glad you saw Col. Lorne Ross, as he was the officer commanding our company when I was in the 16th Battalion, and all the men liked him very well. He is coming back to the front again very soon with a new battalion of men from Victoria, and from all I can hear, they will be one of the best Canada has sent over.

We have been having very wet weather and I had quite a comical experience some weeks ago. I was with three other fellows in a dugout where we had our advanced signal telegraph office. One of us had to be on duty all the time day and night, and one night after a terrible storm of wind and rain, the man on night duty woke me up about one o'clock in the morning and reported that the stream in front of us had risen and was coming into the dugout. While we were watching it covered the floor and started to rise. He had a pair of high boots on and he dragged his bed over to the telegraph instrument and put a chair under each end to raise it up. I told him to do the same with mine and then I went to sleep again. Pretty soon he woke me again and I found the water was still rising and soon it was up level with our beds although they were up on chairs. We had to wade round in the freezing cold water saving our blankets, rifles and all the rest of our kit which we piled on the stove and on the two top bunks where the other two were lying laughing at us. The man on duty climbed on top of the table, but pretty soon the water was over the stove and the table, and then we had to tie the telegraph instrument up to the ceiling and work it from there, sitting in the top bunks. Soon after this daylight began to show through the windows although the rain was still pouring down, and we managed to fish in few planks floating about outside with these we built a gangway from the bunks to the window and got all our stuff out through the window and on top of the dugout. We sent a last message to the other telegraph stations telling them we were closing ours and then we cut the instrument loose and brought it out last. It was funny to see the men from all the other dugouts in the hollow roosting on top of them in the rain, while some of them had not been able to get through windows before the water covered them, and they had to dig their way out through the walls and roof.

It was a good job it was raining because the mist kept the Germans from seeing us on top and we were able to get away safely in daylight. We found out afterwards that the Germans got flooded out even worse than we did. Of course nearly everything we had was soaked and we spent all our spare time for a few days trying to get our clothes and blankets dried out.

We are all getting plum puddings and mince pies from home just now, and we are eating our Christmas dinners while we have a chance as we think the Germans will most likely give us hard fighting on Christmas day. They have been bothering us quite a bit the past few days but we have had the best of them every time and are ready for anything they like to try on. The members of the second Canadian division are anxious for a good hard fight so that they can show us that they are just as good

as those that came over last February. Of course we are not allowed to do any serious fighting till we get the order from General Joffre, but we have a skirmish every once in a while to show them we are still here. We kill a few of them and sometimes bring in a few prisoners. We are pretty well treated, though very hard worked. We get plenty to eat and plenty of clothes, and if we could only keep dry we would be quite contented although, of course, we are very sick of the way the war drags on and never seems to get any nearer the end.

Remember me to all the boys and girls I know in Saanich and give them my best wishes.

A. MacARTAIR.

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